

Part-timers Jolt Wycombe

Wycombe 0 Barnet 0
WYCOMBE WANDERERS did more than enough in the first hour to win but Barnet's stolid defence wore them down and for the last 20 minutes it was the Southern League Premier Division side who were threatening to snatch victory.

Gambling on a quick goal Wycombe set a cracking pace early on, and with wingers Worley and Anthony in top form and danger man Horseman back after his injury to sharpen the spearhead, they were unlucky not to be ahead at half time after Baker, Horseman, and Anthony had all gone very near to beating Barnet's vigilant keeper McClelland.

The professionals were still back-peddalling until the last half an hour when the Wycombe effort began to flag.

Then Barnet's wingers, Powell and Horne, sparked a brisk revival with some purposeful raids, and goalkeeper Maskell twice saved the day for the amateurs with brilliant clearances, first from Powell and then from George.

The replay will be at Barnet next Tuesday evening.

SKIPPER WARD WAS BARNET'S CUP HERO

By John Pollard

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(Attendance: 2,956)

"TONIGHT'S replay was a 'no-contest,' and we will do well at Walton on this form," declared coach Tommy Coleman, after Barnet had toyed with Isthmian League leaders Wycombe Wanderers in a 3-0 win at Underhill on Tuesday to earn an FA Cup (first round) visit to Stompond Lane on Saturday, November 15.

There was never any doubt about the outcome, after Barnet had taken the lead through Billy Meadows after 15 minutes. Wycombe were sent reeling as Barnet's four front runners, Colin Powell, Ricky George, Billy Meadows, and Adrian Thorne, tore gaping holes in their defence with their superbly skilful, aggressive play.

Powell, back to his best form, and Thorne destroyed Wycombe from the flanks. This was the outcome of a spying mission by manager Dexter Adams, who rated Wycombe full-backs Ian Rundle and Charlie Gale as highly suspect after watching them in action in an Isthmian League game at Enfield, and told his wingers to exploit this weakness.

Hero Ward

Hero of the night was Barnet captain Gerry Ward, who had a magnificent match. After paying the way for Barnet's first two goals, Ward was troubled by the recurrence of a knee injury, but hobbled on bravely until the third goal was scored. Immediately, Ward left the field, and was given a great ovation by a large crowd.

Ward surged forward to join in Barnet's attacks from the outset. This paid off after 15 minutes, when goalkeeper John Maskell dived to Ward's fierce, swerving low shot, but could only push the ball out to Meadows, who made no mistake.

Glorious goal

Any hopes Wycombe had of exploiting the slope and confining back into the game were destroyed by a glorious goal from Powell in the first minute of the second period. Ward delivered a brilliant long pass, and Powell burst between two defenders and lobbed the ball high over the head of the advancing Maskell.

Barnet continued to can the tune, and Eason scored a fine third goal after 75 minutes. Powell pushed the ball through the middle, and Eason ran on, calmly drew out Maskell and slipped the ball into the net.

Ward then departed, and on came substitute Tony Gregory. Eason, who was also in grand form, was seen at his best when retreating to dominate the midfield play for the remainder of the game.

It was a measure of Barnet's superiority that goalkeeper Jack McClelland was not seriously tested until four minutes from the end, when he made a timely advance to thwart Len Worley. Barnet: J. McClelland, J. Lye, P. Jenkins, G. Ward, B. Embury, R. King, C. Powell, R. George, B. Meadows, L. Eason, A. Thorne. Substitute: A. Gregory. Wycombe Wanderers: J. Maskell, I. Rundle, C. Gale, K. Stephenson, J. Delaney, D. Thomas, W. Worley, R. Baker, V. Busby, A. Horseman, G. Anthony.

Boldness almost brought rewards

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BARNET'S bold attacking policy contributed greatly to an exciting FA Cup spectacular with Wycombe Wanderers at Loakes Park on Saturday.

Sir Stanley Rous, President of FIFA, and English amateur team manager, Charles Hughes, were among the 4,300 onlookers who saw this fourth qualifying round clash end goalless—a surprise outcome after 90 minutes of pulsating action, writes John Pollard.

Dexter Adams threw caution to the winds when he recalled aggressive Ricky George to play alongside Billy Meadows, with Les Eason adopting a midfield role in a 4-2-4 set up. If Barnet's finishing had been more accurate, this ambitious approach

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